

# **Exhibit A**

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8 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

9 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

10 UNLIMITED JURISDICTION

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12 **JOHN NEWTON JONES and CONNIE**  
13 **JONES,**

14 Plaintiffs,

15 vs.

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17 **A. W. CHESTERTON COMPANY; ALLIED**  
18 **FLUID PRODUCTS CORP. FKA ALLIED**  
19 **PACKING & SUPPLY, INC.; AMERICAN**  
20 **PRESIDENT LINES, LTD.; CARRIER**  
21 **CORPORATION; CBS CORPORATION, A**  
22 **DELAWARE CORPORATION, FKA**  
23 **VIACOM INC., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER**  
24 **TO CBS CORPORATION, A**  
25 **PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION, FKA**  
26 **WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC**  
27 **CORPORATION; ELLIOTT COMPANY;**  
28 **GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY;**  
**GEORGIA-PACIFIC LLC; GOULDS**  
**PUMPS, INCORPORATED; IMO**  
**INDUSTRIES INC., INDIVIDUALLY AND**  
**AS PARENT, ALTER EGO, FORMERLY**  
**KNOWN AS, DOING BUSINESS AS, AND**  
**AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO IMO**  
**DELAVAL INC. AND DE LAVAL STEAM**  
**TURBINE COMPANY AND DE LAVAL**

Case No.:

**COMPLAINT FOR PERSONAL**  
**INJURIES; NEGLIGENCE; STRICT**  
**PRODUCTS LIABILITY; FAILURE TO**  
**WARN; BREACH OF IMPLIED**  
**WARRANTIES; FRAUD; CIVIL**  
**CONSPIRACY; ENTERPRISE**  
**LIABILITY; PREMISES LIABILITY;**  
**NEGLIGENT HIRING/NEGLIGENT**  
**RETENTION; VESSEL OWNER**  
**NEGLIGENCE; LOSS OF**  
**CONSORTIUM; PUNITIVE DAMAGES**

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COMPLAINT FOR PERSONAL INJURIES

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1 TURBINE CALIFORNIA INC.;  
 2 INGERSOLL-RAND COMPANY; ITT  
 3 GOULDS PUMPS, INC., INDIVIDUALLY  
 4 AND AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO  
 5 GOULDS PUMPS INC.; J. T. THORPE &  
 6 SON, INC.; JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC.,  
 7 INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SUCCESSOR IN  
 8 INTEREST TO YORK ICE MACHINERY  
 9 CORPORATION AND YORK  
 10 INTERNATIONAL; LAMONS GASKET  
 11 COMPANY, FORMERLY KNOWN AS  
 12 POWER ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT  
 13 CO., INDIVIDUALLY AND AS  
 14 SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO LAMONS  
 15 METAL GASKET CO.; MATSON  
 16 NAVIGATION COMPANY, INC.; PACIFIC  
 17 GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY;  
 18 PARKER-HANNIFIN CORPORATION,  
 19 INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SUCCESSOR IN  
 INTEREST TO PARKER SEAL AND  
 SACOMO SIERRA AND SACOMO  
 MANUFACTURING CO.; SYD  
 CARPENTER, MARINE CONTRACTOR,  
 INC.; THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER  
 COMPANY; THOMAS DEE ENGINEERING  
 CO., INC.; TRIPLE A MACHINE SHOP,  
 INC.; WARREN PUMPS LLC,  
 INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SUCCESSOR IN  
 INTEREST TO WARREN PUMPS INC.; and  
 FIRST DOE through FOUR HUNDREDTH  
 DOE, inclusive.

Defendants.

Plaintiffs JOHN NEWTON JONES and CONNIE JONES complains of defendants,  
 and each of them, and alleges:

**FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Negligence)**

1. Plaintiff JOHN NEWTON JONES brings this action on his own behalf and  
 hereinafter is referred to as "plaintiff." Plaintiff knows of no other parties who should be  
 named as a plaintiff herein.

1           2.     Plaintiff is ignorant of the true names and capacities of defendants sued  
2 herein as DOES 1 through 200, inclusive, and therefore sues these defendants by such  
3 fictitious names. Plaintiff will amend this complaint to allege their true names and  
4 capacities when ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each  
5 of said fictitiously named defendants are, through their negligence, responsible or liable in  
6 some manner for the occurrences herein alleged, and that the injuries herein alleged were the  
7 direct and legal result of said negligence.  
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9           3.     At all times mentioned in this complaint each of the defendants was the agent  
10 and employee of each of the remaining defendants, and by their actions as alleged in this  
11 complaint each defendant was acting within the course and scope of this agency and  
12 employment, and each defendant has ratified and approved the acts of the remaining  
13 defendants.  
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15           4.     A. W. CHESTERTON COMPANY; ALLIED FLUID PRODUCTS CORP.  
16 FKA ALLIED PACKING & SUPPLY, INC.; AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINES, LTD.;  
17 CARRIER CORPORATION; CBS CORPORATION, A DELAWARE CORPORATION,  
18 FKA VIACOM INC., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CBS CORPORATION, A  
19 PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION, FKA WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC  
20 CORPORATION; ELLIOTT COMPANY; GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY;  
21 GEORGIA-PACIFIC LLC; GOULDS PUMPS, INCORPORATED; IMO INDUSTRIES  
22 INC., INDIVIDUALLY AND AS PARENT, ALTER EGO, FORMERLY KNOWN AS,  
23 DOING BUSINESS AS, AND AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO IMO DELAVAL INC.  
24 AND DE LAVAL STEAM TURBINE COMPANY AND DE LAVAL TURBINE  
25 CALIFORNIA INC.; INGERSOLL-RAND COMPANY; ITT GOULDS PUMPS, INC.,  
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1 INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO GOULDS PUMPS INC.; J.  
2 T. THORPE & SON, INC.; JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC., INDIVIDUALLY AND AS  
3 SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO YORK ICE MACHINERY CORPORATION AND  
4 YORK INTERNATIONAL; LAMONS GASKET COMPANY, FORMERLY KNOWN AS  
5 POWER ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT CO., INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SUCCESSOR  
6 IN INTEREST TO LAMONS METAL GASKET CO.; MATSON NAVIGATION  
7 COMPANY, INC.; PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY; PARKER-HANNIFIN  
8 CORPORATION, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO PARKER  
9 SEAL AND SACOMO SIERRA AND SACOMO MANUFACTURING CO.; SYD  
10 CARPENTER, MARINE CONTRACTOR, INC.; THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER  
11 COMPANY; THOMAS DEE ENGINEERING CO., INC.; TRIPLE A MACHINE SHOP,  
12 INC.; WARREN PUMPS LLC, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST  
13 TO WARREN PUMPS INC.; and FIRST DOE through FOUR HUNDREDTH DOE,  
14 inclusive, are at all times herein mentioned, and were corporations or other business entities  
15 organized and existing under the laws of the state of California and/or qualified to do  
16 business in this state.  
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20 ALLIED FLUID PRODUCTS CORP., is sued herein not only in its own capacity  
21 but also as formerly known as ALLIED PACKING & SUPPLY, INC.  
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23 CBS CORPORATION, A DELAWARE CORPORATION, is sued herein not only  
24 in its own capacity but formerly known as VIACOM INC., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER  
25 TO CBS CORPORATION, A PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION, formerly known as  
26 WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORATION.  
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1 Defendant Elliott Company was plaintiff's employer during times relevant herein  
2 and, but for the dual capacity doctrine, adopted in California in 1952, would be able to  
3 shield itself from tort liability by asserting the exclusive remedy of worker's  
4 compensation. In this case, the Elliot Company acted in the dual capacity of employer and  
5 manufacturer. The Elliot Company was a designer, manufacturer, seller, supplier, jobber,  
6 repairer, maintainer and owner of turbines and related equipment which contained and were  
7 insulated with asbestos-containing products. These turbines, and related equipment, were  
8 sold to the general public for use by the general public; they were not designed for, or  
9 manufactured for use by, Elliot Company employees only. Plaintiff was regularly and  
10 routinely exposed to asbestos fibers released from the asbestos-containing products in and  
11 on the Elliot Turbines, and related equipment, which had been sold to the general public.  
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14 ITT GOULDS PUMPS, INC., is sued herein not only in its own capacity but also as  
15 successor in interest to GOULDS PUMPS INC.

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17 IMO INDUSTRIES INC., is sued herein not only in its own capacity but also as  
18 parent, alter ego, formerly known as, doing business as, and as successor in interest to IMO  
19 DELAVAL INC. AND DE LAVAL STEAM TURBINE COMPANY AND DE LAVAL  
20 TURBINE CALIFORNIA INC.

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22 JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC., is sued herein not only in its own capacity but also  
23 as successor in interest to YORK ICE MACHINERY CORPORATION AND YORK  
24 INTERNATIONAL.

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26 LAMONS GASKET COMPANY, is sued herein not only in its own capacity but  
27 also as formerly known as POWER ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT CO.,  
28 INDIVIDUALLY AND AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO LAMONS METAL

1 GASKET CO.

2 PARKER-HANNIFIN CORPORATION, is sued herein not only in its own capacity  
3 but also as successor in interest to PARKER SEAL AND SACOMO SIERRA AND  
4 SACOMO MANUFACTURING CO.

5 WARREN PUMPS LLC, is sued herein not only in its own capacity but also as  
6 successor in interest to WARREN PUMPS INC.

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8 5. The defendants, and each of them, acting through their agents, servants or  
9 employees, cause, and have caused in the past, asbestos, certain asbestos-containing  
10 products and asbestos-containing insulation, fireproofing, friction, felt, gasket, packing and  
11 building materials to be placed on the market and in the stream of interstate commerce with  
12 the result that said products and materials came into use by plaintiff and those working in  
13 close proximity to plaintiff at relevant times herein.

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15 6. JOHN NEWTON JONES was exposed to asbestos during the times, and in the  
16 manner, set forth below.

17 A. United States Navy (1961-1979)

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19 Plaintiff served in the United States Navy from 1961 through 1979. He went through  
20 basic training in San Diego, California. He entered the Navy as an apprentice fireman and  
21 was honorably discharged as machinist's mate chief.

22 Plaintiff does not recall servicing, repairing, removing or replacing a motor or  
23 turbine, or any other product, manufactured by General Electric or Westinghouse Electric  
24 while serving in the United States Navy and therefore does not allege, and in fact disclaims,  
25 any exposure to asbestos from any product manufactured by these two defendants while  
26 serving in the Navy. Moreover, plaintiff specifically waives any claim of exposure to  
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1 asbestos from any product manufactured or supplied by General Electric and Westinghouse  
2 Electric while he was serving in the United States Navy.

3 1. *USS HAVEN (AH-12)* (1961-1962)

4 Plaintiff served aboard the *USS HAVEN (AH-12)* from 1961 through 1962. The *USS*  
5 *HAVEN* was a hospital ship which was moored at the Long Beach Naval Station in Long  
6 Beach, California. It had Babcock & Wilcox boilers and a General Electric turbine. These  
7 were not operational because the ship was stationary. It was connected to land-based power  
8 sources. As a fireman apprentice, and then fireman, plaintiff stood watch at various  
9 locations on this ship. He also painted areas within the ship and performed clean-up duties.  
10 On a routine and regular basis, he repaired leaky steam lines and hot water lines. These  
11 lines were insulated with asbestos-containing pipecovering. He regularly and routinely,  
12 throughout his time aboard this ship, cut through and removed asbestos-containing  
13 pipecovering to repair, or replace, leaky pipes. Further, on a routine and regular basis,  
14 plaintiff removed asbestos-containing flange gaskets which connected the pipes end-to-end;  
15 these flanges also connected the pipelines to shipboard equipment. During this work, he  
16 regularly and routinely removed and replaced asbestos-containing flange gaskets. Through  
17 these and other duties he performed, plaintiff was regularly and routinely exposed to  
18 asbestos throughout the time period he served aboard this ship.

19 Exposure to asbestos while serving aboard the *USS HAVEN* was a substantial factor  
20 which contributed to plaintiff's development of asbestos-related lung cancer. Plaintiff does  
21 not allege and specifically disclaims any exposure to asbestos at while serving aboard the  
22 *USS Haven* from products made by, or actions of, defendants CBS CORPORATION, A  
23 DELAWARE CORPORATION, FKA VIACOM INC., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO  
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1 CBS CORPORATION, A PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION, FKA WESTINGHOUSE  
2 ELECTRIC CORPORATION and GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY.

3                   **2. *USS CORAL SEA (CV-43)*                   (1962-1968)**

4           Plaintiff served aboard the *USS CORAL SEA (CV-43)* from 1962 through 1968. The  
5 *USS CORAL SEA* was an aircraft carrier. He joined the ship in Japan. It was homeported at  
6 the Alameda Naval Air Station.

7           Plaintiff rose to the rank of Machinist's Mate Second Class while serving aboard the  
8 *USS CORAL SEA*. He worked in all four of the engine rooms and boiler rooms. Each  
9 engine room had a Westinghouse turbine. In all, there were twelve Babcock & Wilcox  
10 boilers on this ship.

11           As a Machinist's Mate plaintiff regularly and routinely maintained, repaired and  
12 replaced all manner of equipment aboard the *USS CORAL SEA* including, but not limited to,  
13 pumps, valves, pipes, turbines, steam lines, hot water lines, boilers and gauges. Moreover,  
14 as part of his duties, he routinely and regularly removed and replaced asbestos-containing  
15 pipecovering, block, cement, gaskets, packing and cloth. He performed these duties, and  
16 was regularly and routinely exposed to asbestos fiber, throughout his tenure aboard the *USS*  
17 *CORAL SEA*.

18           Moreover, plaintiff was further exposed to asbestos when he participated in two  
19 major overhauls at the Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard in San Francisco. Plaintiff lived  
20 aboard ship during these overhauls and he stood watch in various areas of the ship including  
21 the engine and boiler spaces. The overhauls were performed by shipyard employees and  
22 outside contractors. While aboard ship during these overhauls plaintiff was routinely and  
23 regularly exposed to asbestos fibers released from products, that were being removed and  
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1 installed by myriad shipyard and outside contractor employees, including, but not limited to,  
2 pipecovering, block, cement, gaskets, packing, cloth, blankets, pumps, valves, boilers,  
3 turbines, and refractory materials.

4 Exposure to asbestos while serving aboard the *USS CORAL SEA* was a substantial  
5 factor which contributed to plaintiff's development of asbestos-related lung cancer. Plaintiff  
6 does not allege and specifically disclaims any exposure to asbestos at while serving aboard  
7 the *USS CORAL SEA* from products made by, or actions of, defendants CBS  
8 CORPORATION, A DELAWARE CORPORATION, FKA VIACOM INC., SUCCESSOR  
9 BY MERGER TO CBS CORPORATION, A PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION, FKA  
10 WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORATION and GENERAL ELECTRIC  
11 COMPANY.  
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14 **3. WHITING FIELD, FLORIDA (1968-1970)**

15 From 1968 through 1970, plaintiff was assigned to shore duty at the Whiting Field  
16 Naval Air Station near Milton, Florida. He worked in the fuel division. He pumped  
17 nitrogen, and other gases, into bottle and tank. Plaintiff does not allege exposure to asbestos  
18 at this site.  
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20 **4. *USS ORISKANY (CV-34)* (1970-1974)**

21 Plaintiff served aboard the *USS ORISKANY (CV-34)* from 1970 through 1974. The  
22 *USS ORISKANY* was an aircraft carrier. It was homeported at the Alameda Naval Air  
23 Station.  
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25 Plaintiff rose to the rank of Machinist's Mate Chief while serving aboard the *USS*  
26 *ORISKANY*. He worked in all areas of the ship including the engine and boiler rooms.

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1 As a Machinist's Mate Chief plaintiff regularly and routinely maintained, repaired  
2 and replaced all manner of equipment aboard the *USS ORISKANY*; he also supervised, and  
3 was present, when others maintained, repaired and replaced all manner of equipment aboard  
4 this ship. Plaintiff was assigned to a division that was responsible for maintaining the air  
5 conditioning and refrigeration units aboard the *USS ORISKANY*. Most, but not all, of the  
6 insulation he encountered was made of cork. On a routine and regular basis, he and his  
7 crew, as part of their duties, had to remove and replace asbestos-containing pipecovering,  
8 block, cement, gaskets, packing and cloth. He and his crew regularly and routinely were  
9 exposed to asbestos when they installed, removed, repaired, replaced and maintained  
10 refrigeration and HVAC equipment that had asbestos-containing gaskets, packing and seals.  
11 He performed these duties and was present when his crew performed these duties, and  
12 consequently he was regularly and routinely exposed to asbestos fiber, throughout his tenure  
13 aboard the *USS ORISKANY*.  
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16 Moreover, plaintiff was further exposed to asbestos aboard the *USS ORISKANY*  
17 when he participated in two or three major overhauls at the Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard  
18 in San Francisco. Plaintiff lived aboard ship during these overhauls and he stood watch in  
19 various areas of the ship including the engine and boiler spaces. The overhauls were  
20 performed by shipyard employees and outside contractors. While aboard ship during these  
21 overhauls, plaintiff was routinely and regularly exposed to asbestos fibers released from  
22 products that were being removed and installed by myriad shipyard and outside contractor  
23 employees, including, but not limited to, pipecovering, block, cement, gaskets, packing,  
24 cloth, blankets, pumps, valves, boilers, turbines, and refractory materials.  
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1 Plaintiff was present aboard the *USS ORISKANY* when Triple A performed repairs  
2 aboard this vessel. The first of these took place in June 1973 and September 1973. Triple A  
3 secured the services of J.T. Thorpe & Son, Inc. to perform refractory work aboard the *USS*  
4 *ORISKANY*. The second of these took place in the 1973 to 1974 time frame when Dee  
5 Engineering did several refractory jobs aboard the *USS ORISKANY* Triple A. Plaintiff was  
6 exposed to asbestos fibers released into the engine and boiler spaces of the *USS ORISKANY*  
7 when he stood watch and performed his other duties aboard this ship, a portion of which is  
8 attributable to the work performed by J.T. Thorpe & Son and Dee Engineering at Triple A.

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10 Exposure to asbestos while serving aboard the *USS ORISKANY* was a substantial  
11 factor which contributed to plaintiff's development of asbestos-related lung cancer. Plaintiff  
12 does not allege and specifically disclaims any exposure to asbestos while serving aboard the  
13 *USS ORISKANY* from products made by, or actions of, defendants CBS CORPORATION,  
14 A DELAWARE CORPORATION, FKA VIACOM INC., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO  
15 CBS CORPORATION, A PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION, FKA WESTINGHOUSE  
16 ELECTRIC CORPORATION and GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY.

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19 **5. *USS PROTEUS (AS-19)* (1975-1975)**

20 Plaintiff served aboard the *USS PROTEUS (AS-19)* from 1974 through 1975. The  
21 *USS PROTEUS* was a submarine tender. Plaintiff joined the *USS PROTEUS* in Guam. He  
22 was in charge of the nitrogen plant and assisted supplying submarines with oxygen.  
23 Exposure to asbestos is not claimed aboard this vessel.

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25 **6. ALAMEDA NAVAL AIR STATION (1975-1977)**

26 Plaintiff was stationed at the Alameda Naval Air Station from 1975 through 1977.  
27 He was assigned to the Fleet Mag Department. He worked in a land-based shop repairing  
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1 and overhauling pumps and valves that could be used and re-used aboard naval vessels. On  
2 a daily basis, he routinely and regularly removed and replaced asbestos-containing gaskets  
3 and packing. To remove the gaskets, he routinely and regularly scraped the gasket material  
4 and removed the remnants with a pneumatically-powered wire brush. He routinely and  
5 regularly installed both pre-cut and hand-made gaskets. He routinely and regularly removed  
6 asbestos-containing packing and replaced it. While performing these duties he was exposed  
7 to asbestos fibers released from these products.  
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9 Exposure to asbestos while working at the Alameda Naval Air Station was a  
10 substantial factor which contributed to plaintiff's development of asbestos-related lung  
11 cancer. Plaintiff does not allege and specifically disclaims any exposure to asbestos at while  
12 serving the Alameda Air Station from products made by, or actions of, defendants CBS  
13 CORPORATION, A DELAWARE CORPORATION, FKA VIACOM INC., SUCCESSOR  
14 BY MERGER TO CBS CORPORATION, A PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION, FKA  
15 WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORATION and GENERAL ELECTRIC  
16 COMPANY.  
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19 **7. *USS WICHITA (AOR-1)* (1977-1979)**

20 Plaintiff served aboard the *USS WICHITA (AOR-1)* from 1977 through 1979. The  
21 *USS WICHITA* was a multipurpose replenishment ship; it provided supplies for combat  
22 ships. The *USS WICHITA* was homeported at the Alameda Naval Air Station.  
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24 Plaintiff was in charge of the fuels division on this ship. He helped refuel vessels at  
25 sea. Though not assigned to the engine or boiler rooms, he did stand watches in those  
26 spaces on a routine and regular basis, and in this way he exposed to the asbestos fiber which  
27 contaminated those space.  
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Moreover, plaintiff was further exposed to asbestos aboard the *USS WICHITA* when he participated in one or two major overhauls at the Triple A Shipyard at Hunter's Point in San Francisco. Plaintiff lived aboard ship during these overhauls and he stood watch in various areas of the ship including the engine and boiler spaces. The overhauls were performed by shipyard employees and outside contractors. While aboard ship during these overhauls plaintiff was routinely and regularly exposed to asbestos fibers released from products, that were being removed and installed by myriad shipyard and outside contractor employees, including, but not limited to, pipecovering, block, cement, gaskets, packing, cloth, blankets, pumps, valves, boilers, turbines, and refractory materials.

Exposure to asbestos while serving aboard the *USS WICHITA* was a substantial factor which contributed to plaintiff's development of asbestos-related lung cancer. Plaintiff does not allege and specifically disclaims any exposure to asbestos at while serving aboard the *USS WICHITA* from products made by, or actions of, defendants CBS CORPORATION, A DELAWARE CORPORATION, FKA VIACOM INC., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO CBS CORPORATION, A PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION, FKA WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORATION and GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY.

**B. Southwest Marine**

**(1979-1993)**

Plaintiff worked for Southwest Marine in San Francisco from 1979 through 1993. He hired on as machinist and rose to the title of machinist superintendent for the yard. Southwest Marine was originally located at Pier 28 along the Embarcadero in San Francisco. In the late 1980's it moved to Pier 70, which was previously occupied by the Bethlehem Shipyard and Todd Shipyard. On a routine and regular basis, he did hands-on work as a marine machinist, and supervised the work of both outside and inside machinists. He

1 personally performed, and supervised the performance of, repair, maintenance and  
2 replacement of marine valves, pumps and other equipment. He routinely and regular  
3 performed, and supervised the performance of, these duties both aboard ship and in the shop.

4 He mostly worked on civilian merchant ships, including but not limited to, ships  
5 owned and operated by Matson and American President Lines. On a more limited basis, he  
6 performed these same duties aboard navy ships, including, but not limited to, the USS  
7 *CORAL SEA*, *USS WICHITA*, *USS SHASTA*, *USS ORISKANY*, *USS ROANOKE*, *USS*  
8 *WABASH*, *USS KALEAKALA*, *USS MAUNA KEA*, *USS KILAUEA*, *USS SACRAMENTO*,  
9 *USS BRYCE CANYON*, *USS MIDWAY*, *USS ENTERPRISE* and *USS KISKA*.

11 Throughout his tenure with Southwest Marine plaintiff was routinely and regularly  
12 exposed to asbestos from asbestos packing and gaskets which he, and those under his  
13 supervision, removed and replaced in conjunction with their work repairing, replacing, and  
14 maintaining marine valves and pumps. Moreover, while aboard ship during these overhauls  
15 plaintiff was routinely and regularly exposed to asbestos fibers released from products, that  
16 were being removed and installed by myriad shipyard and outside contractor employees  
17 including, but not limited to, pipecovering, block, cement, gaskets, packing, cloth, blankets,  
18 pumps, valves, boilers, turbines, and refractory materials.

21 Exposure to asbestos while serving while working at Southwest Marine was a  
22 substantial factor which contributed to plaintiff's development of asbestos-related lung  
23 cancer. Plaintiff does not allege and specifically disclaims any exposure to asbestos while  
24 working at Southwest Marine from products made by, or actions of, defendants CBS  
25 CORPORATION, A DELAWARE CORPORATION, FKA VIACOM INC., SUCCESSOR  
26 BY MERGER TO CBS CORPORATION, A PENNSYLVANIA CORPORATION, FKA  
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1 WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORATION and GENERAL ELECTRIC  
2 COMPANY.

3 C. Elliott Company (1993-2006)

4 Plaintiff worked as a project manager for the Elliott Company from 1993 through  
5 2006, inclusive. He traveled around the United States, and the world, to consult with  
6 various clients for projects which utilized the Elliott Company's turbines and machinery.  
7 He also consulted about, and came into contact with, turbines and other machinery made by  
8 other companies, including but not limited to, Westinghouse and General Electric. All of his  
9 work for the Elliott Company was land-based. None of his work for the Elliott Company  
10 was aboard ship. Plaintiff does not allege, and in fact disclaims, any exposure to asbestos on  
11 land owned by the federal government. Plaintiff does not allege, and in fact disclaims, any  
12 exposure to asbestos while performing work for the federal government or any entity  
13 associated with the federal government.  
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16 Plaintiff consulted for the Elliott Company at chemical plants, refineries, power  
17 plants and other industrial facilities. He helped develop the projects at these facilities which  
18 concerned turbines and related equipment. These projects included repair and maintenance  
19 projects, new construction, and disassembly and demolition of facilities which had turbines  
20 and related equipment. On a routine and regular basis, throughout his tenure with the Elliott  
21 Company, he was exposed to asbestos fibers which were released from pipecovering, block,  
22 cement, gaskets, packing, cloth, and refractory materials. These, and other, asbestos-  
23 containing products were used to insulate and seal myriad equipment, including, but not  
24 limited to, turbines, boilers, steam lines, hot water lines, and fire boxes. Plaintiff performed  
25 these duties at several locations including, but not limited to, the facilities below.  
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1	1. Georgia Pacific Mill	Fort Brag, CA	1993
2	2. UCSF Power Plant	San Francisco, CA	1993
3	3. PG&E Power Plant	The Geysers	1995
4	4. City of Raton Public Service	Raton, NM	1996-7
5	5. Power Plant	Chowchilla, CA	1997
6	6. Conoco Refining	Commerce City, CO	1998
7	7. Sierra Pacific Power Valmy Station	Valmy, NV	1998
8	8. Sierra Pacific Ft. Churchill Station	Yerington, NV	1998
9	9. Chinese Petroleum Corp.	Lyn Yuan, Kaohsiung China	1998-9
10	10. LG & E Westmoreland	Altavista, VA	1999
11	11. Kennecott Copper	Magna, Utah	1999
12	12. Adirondack Resources	Hudson Falls, NY	2000
13	13. PCS Phosphates	White Springs, FL	2000
14	14. City of Coffeerville	Coffeerville, KS	2001
15	15. Madera Power	Firebaugh, CA	2001
16	16. Crestor Hammond	Indiana	2001
17	17. Adirondack Resources	Hudson Falls	2002
18	18. Sithe Energy	San Diego, CA	2002
19	19. Sierra Pacific Power Valmy Station	Valmy NV	2002
20	20. State of Rhode Island	Cranston, RI	2002-3
21	21. SE Missouri State	Girardeau, MO	2003
22	22. Sierra Pacific Power Valmy Station	Valmy NV	2003
23	23. Moncton Power	Poughkeepsie, NY	2003
24	24. Covanta Power	Bainbridge, PA	2003
25	25. Wheeling Pittsburg Steel	S. Steubenville, OH	2003
26	26. Middlesex Generating Co.	Sayerville, NJ	2004
27	27. EcoElectra	Peneulas, Puerto Rico	2004
28	28. Diamond Walnut	Stockton, CA	2004
29	29. Chevron Refinery	Richmond, CA	2005
30	30. Cal Energy	Calipartia, CA	2007
31	31. Cal Energy	Calipartia, CA	2011
32	32. Hydro Agri Ammoina Plant	Trinidad Tobago	Unknown
33	33. Wheelabrator Power Plant	Anderson, CA	Unknown
34	34. Nova Core Chemicals	Joffre, Canada	Unknown

Plaintiff's exposure to asbestos while working for the Elliott Company, including his exposure to asbestos while working on and around Elliott turbines and related equipment which had been manufactured, supplied, and installed prior to plaintiff's employment with the Elliott Company, were substantial factors which contributed to his development of asbestos-related lung cancer.

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1           7.     During the course and scope of his employment plaintiff continually worked  
2 with and in close proximity to asbestos and asbestos-containing products. He routinely and  
3 regularly applied and removed asbestos and asbestos-containing products, and was  
4 continually exposed to asbestos fibers which were released from asbestos and asbestos-  
5 containing products which were mined, milled, manufactured, processed, imported,  
6 converted, compounded, applied, installed, designed, specified, inspected, approved,  
7 supplied, distributed and sold by defendants, and each of them.  
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9           8.     Plaintiff's exposure to asbestos was the direct and legal cause of his  
10 development and consequent diagnosis of asbestos-related lung cancer. Further, his  
11 exposure to asbestos was the cause of other illnesses and disabilities whose relationship to  
12 asbestos is as yet unknown to plaintiff herein.  
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14           9.     At all times relevant herein, defendants and each of them, owed a duty of due  
15 care which required them to exercise ordinary care to protect against an unreasonable risk of  
16 harm. This duty was owed to plaintiff.  
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18           10.    Plaintiff's development of asbestos-related lung cancer and related conditions  
19 is the direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each of them, in that they  
20 negligently and carelessly researched, tested or failed to test, manufactured, designed,  
21 specified, developed, labeled, advertised, marketed, warranted, inspected, fabricated,  
22 modified, applied, installed, distributed and supplied asbestos and asbestos-containing  
23 products. Defendants, and each of them, without any adequate warning to the consumer or  
24 user, produced, sold, and otherwise put into the stream of interstate commerce the foregoing  
25 materials which said defendants and each of them knew, or in the exercise of ordinary care  
26 should have known, were deleterious, poisonous and highly harmful to plaintiff's body,  
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1 lungs, respiratory system, skin and health. Further, defendants and each of them knew, or  
2 through the exercise of ordinary care should have known, that exposure to asbestos is, and at  
3 all times relevant herein has been, associated with terminal and incurable diseases which  
4 have caused and continue to cause death.

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6 11. During the time period when plaintiff was exposed to asbestos in the manner  
7 described above, he had no knowledge that said exposure placed him at risk for developing  
8 the diseases described herein and therefore had no opportunity, nor can he be charged with a  
9 duty or breach of duty, to protect himself against said harmful asbestos exposure. Plaintiff  
10 had no knowledge that the alleged conduct, misconduct and culpability of defendants, and  
11 each of them, were actionable at law when they were committed and cannot be charged with  
12 knowledge or inquiry thereof.  
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14 12. The asbestos-related lung cancer that afflicts plaintiff developed at a  
15 microscopic and undetectable level over an extended period of time, without noticeable  
16 trauma, and was therefore unknown and unknowable to plaintiff until his physicians  
17 diagnosed him with asbestos-related lung cancer in March 2017. Plaintiff has also been  
18 diagnosed with bilateral pleural plaques. This action is being brought within the applicable  
19 statutory time period. Prior to his diagnosis, plaintiff did not know, nor through the exercise  
20 of reasonable diligence could he have known, that his disease and related conditions were  
21 caused by his exposure to the defendant's asbestos and asbestos-containing products.  
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24 13. As a direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each of  
25 them, defendant developed a disease known and designated as asbestos-related lung cancer,  
26 and as a further direct and legal result it has been and continues to be necessary for plaintiff  
27 to retain the services of physicians, hospitals, hospice, and other health care professionals to  
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1 diagnose, treat, and provide palliative care for plaintiff as he approaches the end of his life.  
2 As a further direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each of them, it will  
3 be necessary for plaintiff to retain the services of the health care profession in the future for  
4 an indeterminable period of time. Plaintiff does not yet know the full extent of treatment  
5 that will be required nor the reasonable value of medical services rendered or to be rendered  
6 to plaintiff herein and therefore requests leave to amend this complaint when that sum is  
7 determined.  
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9 14. As a direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each of  
10 them, and of plaintiff's diagnosis of asbestos-related lung cancer, plaintiff has been unable  
11 to follow his normal or any gainful occupation for certain periods preceding and following  
12 his diagnosis, and plaintiff will remain disabled for an indeterminable time. Plaintiff has  
13 incurred, and will incur, loss of income, wages, pensions, earning potential, profits and  
14 commissions, and other pecuniary losses. Plaintiff does not know the amount of said past  
15 and future losses and therefore requests leave to amend this complaint when that sum is  
16 determined.  
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19 15. As a further direct and legal result of the negligence of defendants, and each  
20 of them, and plaintiff's diagnosis of asbestos-related lung cancer, plaintiff has endured and  
21 continues to endure unrelenting physical and emotional pain and suffering, emotional  
22 distress, mental distress, mental anguish, fear, nervousness, grief, anxiety, worry,  
23 humiliation and indignity, the full nature and extent of which are presently unknown to  
24 plaintiff, and for which plaintiff has incurred general damages in excess of \$50,000.00.  
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1           16. As a further direct and legal result of the conduct of defendants, and each of  
2 them, plaintiff has been damaged to his health, strength, and activity in an amount in excess  
3 of \$50,000.00 in addition to special damages alleged herein.

4           17. The foregoing acts of the defendants, and each of them, were done wantonly,  
5 willfully, oppressively, and in conscious disregard of the safety of plaintiff herein, by the  
6 defendants, and each of them, in that the defendants, and each of them, prior to and at the  
7 time of sale of the aforementioned products to plaintiff's employer or to others who in turn  
8 sold to plaintiff's employers, knew that the foregoing asbestos fibers released from said  
9 products during the foreseeable operations of applying and removing same, were dangerous  
10 when inhaled. The defendants, and each of them, either did not warn or insufficiently  
11 warned regarding the dangerous nature of said products, nor placed a sufficient warning on  
12 the said product or package thereof regarding said dangerous nature, despite knowing that  
13 said products would be used by plaintiff and others who had no knowledge of the dangerous  
14 and hazardous nature thereof, and therefore plaintiff is entitled to an award of punitive  
15 damages.  
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19 WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as hereinafter set forth.

20                           **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**  
21                           **(Strict Products Liability)**

22           AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff JOHN NEWTON  
23 JONES complains of the defendants, and each of them, and alleges:

24           18. Plaintiff, by this reference, hereby incorporates and makes a part hereof, as  
25 though fully set forth herein, each and every allegation contained in the First Cause of  
26 Action herein, except allegations pertaining to negligence.  
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1           19. At all times mentioned herein defendants, and each of them, during the  
2 ordinary course of business, mined, milled, manufactured, imported, supplied, distributed,  
3 delivered, packaged, labeled, advertised, sold, marketed, distributed, delivered, installed,  
4 applied and otherwise introduced into the stream of commerce asbestos and asbestos-  
5 containing products which were defective due to their design, manufacture, sufficiency or  
6 lack of warning, and/or failure to meet ordinary user or consumer expectations of safety  
7 when used in an intended or reasonably foreseeable manner.

9           20. The asbestos and asbestos-containing products were defective when the  
10 defendants, and each of them, marketed and introduced them into the stream of commerce.  
11 Defendants, and each of them, knew that the aforementioned products would be used  
12 without inspection for defects by the user thereof.

14           21. At all times herein mentioned, plaintiff and plaintiff's employer purchased  
15 from defendants, and each of them, asbestos and asbestos-containing products.

16           22. At all times mentioned herein, plaintiff was unaware of the dangerous nature  
17 of the aforementioned products.

18           23. The aforementioned products were used by plaintiff and those in close  
19 proximity to plaintiff in a foreseeable manner, and in the manner for which they were  
20 intended.

22           24. As a direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each of  
23 them, plaintiff developed an asbestos-related disease known and designated as asbestos-  
24 related lung cancer, and related conditions and disabilities as previously set forth, and has  
25 incurred damages in excess of \$50,000.00 in addition to the special damages alleged herein.

27           WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as hereinafter set forth.  
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**THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Failure to Warn)**

AS AND FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff JOHN NEWTON JONES complains of the defendants, and each of them, and alleges:

25. Plaintiff, by this reference, hereby incorporates and makes a part hereof, as though fully set forth herein, each and every allegation contained in the First Cause of Action herein, except allegations pertaining negligence, and each and every allegation contained in the Second Cause of Action, except those allegations pertaining to design and manufacturing defect.

26. At all relevant times, the asbestos and asbestos-containing products which were mined, milled, manufactured, tested, developed, processed, imported, converted, compounded, assembled, fabricated, modified, designed, specified, approved, sold, supplied, distributed, delivered, packaged, labeled, advertised, marketed, warranted, applied, installed, and inspected by defendants, and each of them, were defective as a result of defendant's failure to warn or give adequate warning that the particular risk of developing an asbestos-related disease, and risk of death from an asbestos-related disease resulting from exposure to asbestos, rendered the product unsafe for its intended or reasonably foreseeable use.

27. At all relevant times, the defendants and each of them had specific knowledge of these risks or could have known of these risks by the application of scientific knowledge available at the time of mining, manufacturing, selling, supplying, distributing, marketing, specifying, approving, inspecting, applying and installing the asbestos and asbestos-containing products.

28. As a direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each of them, plaintiff developed an asbestos-related disease known and designated as asbestos-



1 related lung cancer, and related conditions and disabilities as previously set forth, and has  
 2 incurred damages in excess of \$50,000.00 in addition to the special damages alleged herein.

3 WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as hereinafter set forth.

4 **FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
 5 **(Breach of Implied Warranties)**

6 AS AND FOR A FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff JOHN NEWTON  
 7 JONES complains of the defendants, and each of them, and alleges:

8 29. Plaintiff, by this reference, hereby incorporates and makes a part hereof, as  
 9 though fully set forth herein, each and every allegation contained in the First Cause of  
 10 Action herein, except allegations pertaining to negligence.

11 30. The defendants, and each of them, sold, supplied, delivered or otherwise  
 12 distributed to plaintiff, or to another purchaser or user who subsequently sold, supplied,  
 13 delivered or otherwise distributed to plaintiff, or to others working in close proximity to  
 14 plaintiff, the above-described asbestos and asbestos-containing products to which plaintiff  
 15 was exposed.

16 31. The defendants, and each of them, knew the intended purpose of the asbestos  
 17 and asbestos-containing products prior to marketing said products, and knew or should have  
 18 known that dangerous levels of asbestos fiber would be released during the process of  
 19 applying, installing and removing these products.

20 32. The defendants, and each of them, placed said asbestos and asbestos-  
 21 containing products on the market without any warning, or with an inadequate warning, and  
 22 by so doing impliedly warranted that said products were of good and merchantable quality  
 23 and fit for their intended purpose.

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WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as is hereinafter set forth.

AS AND FOR A FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff JOHN NEWTON JONES complains of the defendants and each of them, and alleges:

36. Pursuant to Section 1708 of the Civil Code of California the defendants, and each of them, owed a duty to plaintiff at all times relevant herein to abstain from injuring the plaintiff or infringing upon any of his rights.

37. The defendants, and each of them, breached the duty they owed to plaintiff pursuant to Section 1708 of the Civil Code of California by willfully deceiving him with the intent to induce him to alter his position to his injury or risk. The defendants, and each of them, deceived the plaintiff and committed actionable fraud pursuant to Section 1709 and

1 Section 1710 of the Civil Code of California.

2 38. The defendants, and each of them, as more fully set forth below, suggested as  
3 fact that which was not true, and that which defendants, and each of them, did not believe  
4 was true.

5 39. The defendants, and each of them, as more fully set forth below, asserted as  
6 fact that which was not true, and that which defendants, and each of them, had no reasonable  
7 grounds for believing was true.

8 40. The defendants, and each of them, as more fully set forth below, suppressed  
9 facts which they were obligated to disclose, and gave information of other facts which were  
10 likely to mislead for want of communication of the undisclosed facts.

11 41. The defendants, and each of them, made promises without any intention of  
12 keeping those promises.

13 42. Since 1924, the defendants, and each of them, have known and have  
14 possessed the true facts of medical and scientific data and other knowledge which clearly  
15 indicated that the materials and products referred to herein were and are hazardous to the  
16 health and safety of the plaintiff, and others in plaintiff's position working in close proximity  
17 with such materials. The defendants, and each of them, have known of the dangerous  
18 propensities of the aforementioned materials and products since before that time, and with  
19 intent to deceive plaintiff, and others in his position, and with intent that he and such others  
20 should be and remain ignorant of such facts, and with intent to induce plaintiff and such  
21 others to alter his and their positions to his and their injury and/or risk and in order to gain  
22 advantages did do the following acts:

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- 1 A. Defendants, and each of them, did not label any of the aforementioned  
2 asbestos-containing materials and products regarding the hazards of such  
3 materials and products to the health and safety of plaintiff and others in  
4 plaintiff's position working in close proximity with such materials until 1964,  
5 when certain of such materials were labeled by some, but not all, of the  
6 defendants herein, despite the fact that the knowledge of such hazards existed  
7 and was known to defendants, and each of them, since 1924. By not labeling  
8 such materials as to their said hazards, defendants, and each of them, caused  
9 to be suggested as a fact to plaintiff and plaintiff's employer that it was safe  
10 for plaintiff to work in close proximity to such materials when in fact it was  
11 not true and defendants did not believe it to be true;  
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13 B. Defendants, and each of them, suppressed information relating to the danger  
14 of use of the aforementioned materials by requesting the suppression of  
15 information to the plaintiff and the general public concerning the dangerous  
16 nature of the aforementioned materials to workers and by not allowing such  
17 information to be disseminated in a manner which would give general notice  
18 to the public and knowledge of the hazardous nature thereof, when  
19 defendants were bound to disclose such information;  
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21 C. Defendants, and each of them, sold the aforementioned products and  
22 materials plaintiff's employer and others without advising such employers  
23 and others of dangers of use of such materials to persons working in close  
24 proximity thereto, when defendants knew of such dangers, as set forth herein,  
25 and, as set forth above, had a duty to disclose such dangers. Thereby,  
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1 defendants caused to be positively asserted to plaintiff's employer that which  
2 was not true and which defendants had no reasonable ground for believing to  
3 be true, and in a manner not warranted by the information possessed by said  
4 defendants, and each of them, to wit, that it was safe for plaintiff to work in  
5 close proximity to such materials;

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7 D. Defendants, and each of them, suppressed and continue to suppress from  
8 everyone, including plaintiff and plaintiff's employer, medical and scientific  
9 data and knowledge of the results of studies including, but not limited to, the  
10 information and knowledge of the contents of the Lanza report. Although  
11 bound to disclose it, defendants, and each of them, influenced A. J. Lanza to  
12 change his report, the altered version of which was published in Public  
13 Health Volume 50 at page 1 in 1935, thereby causing plaintiff to be and  
14 remain ignorant thereof. Defendants, and each of them, caused Asbestos  
15 Magazine, a widely disseminated trade journal, to omit mention of danger,  
16 thereby lessening the probability of notice of danger to the users thereof;  
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18 E. Defendants, and each of them, belonged to, participated in, and financially  
19 supported the Asbestos Textile Institute and other industry organizations  
20 which, and on behalf of defendants, and each of them, actively promoted the  
21 suppression of information of danger to users of the aforementioned products  
22 and materials, thereby misleading plaintiff and plaintiff's employer by the  
23 suggestions and deceptions set forth above in this cause of action. The Dust  
24 Control Committee, which changed its name to the Air Hygiene Committee,  
25 of the Asbestos Textile Institute was specifically enjoined to study the subject  
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1 of dust control. Discussions in this committee were held many times  
2 regarding the dangers inherent in asbestos and the dangers which arise from  
3 the lack of control of dust, and the suppression of such information from  
4 1946 to a date unknown to plaintiff at this time;

5 F. Commencing in 1930 with the study of mine and mill workers at Asbestos  
6 and Thetford Mines in Quebec, Canada, and the study of workers at  
7 Raybestos-Manhattan plants in Manheim and Charleston, South Carolina,  
8 defendants knew and possessed medical and scientific information of the  
9 connection between inhalation of asbestos fibers and asbestosis, which  
10 information was disseminated through the Asbestos Textile Institute and  
11 other industry organizations to all other defendants, and each of them, herein.  
12 Between 1942 and 1950, the defendants, and each of them, acquired medical  
13 and scientific information of the connection between inhalation of asbestos  
14 fibers and asbestos-related lung cancer, which information disseminated  
15 through the Asbestos Textile Institute and other industry organizations to all  
16 other defendants herein. Thereby, defendants suggested as a fact that which  
17 is not true and disseminated other facts likely to mislead plaintiff and  
18 plaintiff's employer and which did mislead them by withholding afore  
19 described medical and scientific data and by not giving plaintiff or plaintiff's  
20 employer the true facts concerning such knowledge of danger, when  
21 defendants were bound to disclose it;

22 G. Defendants, and each of them, failed to warn plaintiff and plaintiff's employer  
23 that said materials were dangerous when breathed and caused pathological  
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1 effects without noticeable trauma, despite the fact that defendants possessed  
2 knowledge and were under a duty to disclose that such material was  
3 dangerous and a threat to the health of persons coming into contact therewith;

4 H. Defendants, and each of them, failed to provide plaintiff with information  
5 concerning adequate protective masks and devices to be used when applying  
6 and installing the products of the defendants, and each of them, despite the  
7 knowledge of defendants and a duty to disclose that such protective measures  
8 were necessary and would result in injury to the plaintiff and others applying  
9 and installing such materials if not so advised;  
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11 I. Defendants, and each of them, concealed from plaintiff the true nature of the  
12 industrial exposure of plaintiff, and knew that plaintiff and anyone similarly  
13 situated, upon inhalation of asbestos would, in time, develop irreversible  
14 conditions of either pneumoconiosis, asbestosis or asbestos-related lung  
15 cancer, or all, and that the materials to which he was exposed would cause  
16 pathological effects without noticeable trauma despite the fact that defendants  
17 were under a duty to and bound to disclose it; and  
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20 J. Defendants, and each of them, failed to provide information to the public at  
21 large and buyers, users, and physicians employed by plaintiff and plaintiff's  
22 employer for the purpose of conducting physical examinations of plaintiff  
23 and others working with or near asbestos of the true nature of the hazards of  
24 asbestos, and that exposure to these materials would cause pathological  
25 effects without noticeable trauma to the public, including buyers, users, and  
26 physicians employed by plaintiff and plaintiff's employer so that said  
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1 physicians could examine, diagnose and treat plaintiff and others who were  
2 exposed to asbestos, despite the fact that defendants, and each of them, were  
3 under a duty to so inform and said failure was misleading.

4 43. Defendants, and each of them, having the aforementioned knowledge of facts  
5 and knowing that the plaintiff did not possess such knowledge, acted falsely and  
6 fraudulently and with full intent to cause plaintiff to remain unaware of those facts and to  
7 induce plaintiff to work with and around unsafe products in a dangerous environment, all in  
8 violation of Section 1710 of the Civil Code of the State of California.

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10 44. Plaintiff reasonably relied upon the misrepresentations of the defendants, and  
11 each of them, and in reliance on same continued to work with and around asbestos and  
12 asbestos-containing products. Plaintiff would have taken steps to protect his health and life  
13 had he known the facts, which were known to the defendants, and each of them, about  
14 exposure to asbestos and asbestos-containing products. Plaintiff would not have knowingly  
15 continued to work in an unsafe environment. He had no knowledge of the foregoing facts  
16 and actions of the defendants, and each of them, at the time when they were committed, and  
17 cannot be charged with knowledge or inquiry thereof.

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19 45. As a direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each of  
20 them, plaintiff developed an asbestos-related disease known and designated as asbestos-  
21 related lung cancer, and related conditions and disabilities as previously set forth, and has  
22 incurred damages in excess of \$50,000.00 in addition to the special damages alleged.

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24 WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as is hereinafter set forth.

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**SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION  
(Civil Conspiracy)**

AS AND FOR A SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff JOHN NEWTON JONES complains of defendants, and each of them, and alleges:

46. Plaintiff, by this reference, hereby incorporates and makes a part hereof, as though fully set forth herein, each and every allegation contained in the First Cause of Action, except allegations pertaining to negligence and agency, and the Fifth Cause of Action

47. At all times mentioned, the defendants, and each of them, knowingly and willfully conspired and agreed among themselves to perpetrate upon plaintiff the unlawful acts complained of in the First and Fifth Causes of Action which are incorporated herein as the Sixth Cause of Action.

48. The defendants, and each of them, and at least one of them, did the acts herein alleged in Paragraph 42 of the Fifth Cause of Action in furtherance of the conspiracy and agreement as herein alleged, and also acted in furtherance of a conspiracy and agreement between and among the defendants, and each of them, to violate State and Federal laws and regulations, the exact nature and extent of which are unknown at this time, but known full well to defendants, and each of them.

49. As a direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each of them, plaintiff developed an asbestos-related disease known and designated as asbestos-related lung cancer, and related conditions and disabilities as previously set forth, and has incurred damages in excess of \$50,000.00 in addition to the special damages alleged herein.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as hereinafter set forth.

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**SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
**(Enterprise Liability)**

AS AND FOR A SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff JOHN NEWTON JONES, complains of the defendants, and each of them, and alleges:

50. Plaintiff incorporates by reference as though fully set forth herein, each and every allegation of the First, Second, Third, and Fifth Causes of Actions herein.

51. The defendants, and each of them, mined, milled, manufactured, tested, developed, processed, imported, converted, compounded, assembled, fabricated, modified, designed, specified, approved, sold, supplied, distributed, delivered, packaged, labeled, advertised, marketed, warranted, applied, installed, inspected and otherwise marketed asbestos and asbestos-containing products. These products were defective and carried with them an inadequate warning, or no warning at all, regarding the health hazards associated with asbestos-exposure. The defendants, and each of them, knew or should have known of the defective and hazardous nature of the asbestos and asbestos-containing products at the time that said products were placed in the stream of commerce.

52. Plaintiff, at all times pertinent herein, was unaware and cannot be charged with knowledge of the health hazards associated with exposure to asbestos fibers released from the afore alleged asbestos and asbestos-containing products of the defendants, and each of them. On the other hand, the defendants, and each of them, introduced these products into the market where plaintiff worked and were in a position to prevent harmful exposures to all persons therein, including the plaintiff.

53. Plaintiff, at all times pertinent herein, was exposed to asbestos fibers released from asbestos and asbestos-containing products which are and were fungible in color, size, shape, texture, and function. Said products were similar in appearance and composition, and

1 indistinct one from the other, and through no fault of the plaintiff these products cannot be  
2 traced to a particular defendant or other entity.

3 54. In this action, plaintiff has joined as defendants a substantial share of the  
4 manufacturers and suppliers of the asbestos and asbestos-containing products which  
5 comprised the relevant market within which plaintiff was exposed to asbestos fibers. At  
6 trial, plaintiff will prove the respective market share of the defendants, and each of them,  
7 during all times relevant herein. The liability of the defendants, and each of them, is  
8 proportional to their respective market share percentage, consistent with the rules set forth in  
9 Sindell v. Abbott Laboratories.  
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11 55. As a direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each them,  
12 plaintiff developed an asbestos-related disease known and designated as asbestos-related  
13 lung cancer, and related conditions and disabilities as previously set forth, and has incurred  
14 damages in excess of \$50,000.00 in addition to the special damages alleged herein.  
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16 WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as is hereinafter set forth.

17 **EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
18 **(Premises Liability)**

19 AS AND FOR AN EIGHTH CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff complains of the  
20 defendants, and each of them, and alleges:  
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22 56. Defendant GEORGIA-PACIFIC LLC and PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC  
23 COMPANY, TRIPLE A MACHINE SHOP, INC., and TWO HUNDRED AND FIRST  
24 DOE through THREE HUNDREDTH DOE, inclusive, are the PREMISES defendants.  
25 Plaintiffs by reference hereby incorporate all allegations in the First Cause of Action as  
26 though fully set forth herein.  
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1           57. Plaintiff does not know the true names and capacities of the PREMISES  
2 DEFENDANTS sued herein as DOES 201 through 300, inclusive, and therefore sues these  
3 defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiff will amend this complaint to allege their true  
4 names and capacities when ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and based thereon  
5 alleges that each of the fictitiously named defendants is negligently responsible in some  
6 manner for the occurrences herein alleged, and that plaintiff's development of asbestos-  
7 related lung cancer as herein alleged was the direct and legal result of that negligence.  
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9           58. The Georgia-Pacific facility at Fort Bragg, California; the PG&E facilities at  
10 the Geysers in Northern California; and the Triple A Machine Shop facilities at Pier 64 at  
11 the Embarcadero, and at their shipyard at Hunter's Point in San Francisco, California; and  
12 the premises owned by doe defendants 201 through 300 are hereinafter referred to as  
13 PREMISES. PREMISES, as used herein in relation to the TRIPLE A MACHINE SHOP,  
14 refers to the land-based premises owned and/or controlled by the TRIPLE A MACHINE  
15 SHOP, as well as the interior spaces of ships where work was being performed by or for the  
16 TRIPLE A MACHINE SHOP.  
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18           59. At all times mentioned herein the defendants, and each of them, owned,  
19 leased, occupied, maintained, operated or managed the premises, or in some other manner  
20 controlled the premises, or were the architect, engineer, consulting engineer, project  
21 coordinator, general contractor, or subcontractor who performed construction and  
22 construction-related work, both original construction and renovation work, on said premises.  
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24           60. Plaintiff served in the United States Navy from 1961 through 1979. Ships he  
25 served aboard were overhauled and underwent major repairs at Pier 64 and the Triple A  
26 Shipyard at Hunter's Point. Plaintiff stood watch and lived aboard ship during these  
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1 overhauls. In this way he was regularly and routinely exposed to asbestos fibers which had  
2 been introduced into the interior spaces of the ships resulting from work performed by  
3 Triple A and its subcontractors.

4 Plaintiff was a turbine consultant for the Elliott Company from 1993 through 2006.  
5 During the course of performing his job duties he was regularly and routinely exposed to  
6 asbestos fibers on the premises of PG&E at the Geysers when he performed work there  
7 dismantling the facility in the early 1990's.

8 Moreover, while working for the Elliott Company as a turbine consultant, plaintiff  
9 was exposed to asbestos while working on and repairing a turbine at the Georgia Pacific  
10 lumber mill in Fort Bragg, California in the early 1980's.

11 61. At all times relevant herein, the defendants and each of them, owed a non-  
12 delegable duty of due care which required them to exercise ordinary care to protect against  
13 an unreasonable risk of harm to persons present on the premises. This duty was owed to  
14 JOHN NEWTON JONES.

15 62. Prior to and during the time period when plaintiff was exposed to asbestos on  
16 the premises, defendants, and each of them, knew or through the exercise of reasonable  
17 diligence should have known, that exposure to asbestos fibers released from asbestos and  
18 asbestos-containing products is, and at all times pertinent herein was, associated with  
19 asbestos-related disease and death.

20 63. At all times pertinent herein the defendants, and each of them, negligently  
21 maintained, managed, controlled and operated the aforementioned premises, in that they  
22 selected, specified, approved, and/or authorized the use of asbestos and asbestos-containing  
23 products; selected and/or approved the hiring of incompetent contractors and subcontractors  
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1 who performed work with asbestos and asbestos-containing products on the premises in an  
2 unsafe manner; supervised and coordinated, in an inadequate manner, the construction and  
3 renovation work performed on the premises; applied, installed, removed and/or inspected  
4 asbestos and asbestos-containing products on the premises; failed to warn of the presence of  
5 asbestos on the premises; failed to warn of the health hazards associated with asbestos  
6 exposure on the premises; failed to segregate the asbestos work from the non-asbestos work  
7 on the premises; failed to utilize dust control measures such as wet down procedures; failed  
8 to install dust removing ventilation systems; failed to require or provide dust masks and  
9 respirators on the premises; violated applicable local, state and federal codes, regulations,  
10 and statutes which were enacted to protect worker safety, the exact nature of said violations  
11 being unknown to plaintiff at the present; and/or engaged in other negligent conduct or  
12 misconduct, the precise nature of which is known to the defendants, but is unknown to  
13 plaintiff herein.

16 64. At all times pertinent herein, it was foreseeable that plaintiff and others  
17 similarly situated would be present on the premises during the aforementioned construction  
18 and renovation of facilities on said premises, and that individuals so situated, including  
19 plaintiff, would thereby be exposed to hazardous levels of asbestos fiber. Despite the  
20 foreseeable nature of plaintiff's exposure to asbestos, the defendants, and each of them,  
21 failed to exercise reasonable care to prevent plaintiff's asbestos exposure on said premises.

24 65. As a direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each of  
25 them, the respirable air on the premises, at all times alleged herein, was regularly and  
26 routinely contaminated with unsafe levels of asbestos fiber, which in turn was inhaled into  
27 the lungs of all persons present on the premises, including plaintiff.

1           66.    As a further direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each  
2 of them, plaintiff developed an asbestos-related disease known and designated as asbestos-  
3 related lung cancer, and related conditions and disabilities as previously set forth, and as a  
4 further direct and legal result plaintiff has incurred damages in excess of \$50,000.00 in  
5 addition to the special damages alleged herein.

6           WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as is hereinafter set forth.

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8                       **NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
9                       **(Negligent Hiring/Negligent Retention)**

10           AND AS FOR A NINTH CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff complains of the  
11 PREMISES defendants, and each of them:

12           67.    Plaintiff refers to and incorporates herein by reference the First through the  
13 Eighth Causes of Action of this complaint as if fully stated herein.

14           68.    At all relevant times herein, the PREMISES defendants, and each of them,  
15 negligently hired and retained independent contractors to perform asbestos-related work, and  
16 knew or in the exercise of reasonable care and diligence should have known that the  
17 contractors, independent contractors, subcontractors, employees, manufacturers, suppliers,  
18 distributors, workers and others employed or engaged to or responsible for the manufacture,  
19 distribution, installation, inspections, repair and/or replacement of asbestos and asbestos-  
20 containing materials on the aforementioned PREMISES were incompetent and unfit to  
21 perform the duties for which they were employed, retained, hired or used, and that an  
22 unreasonable risk of harm to plaintiff and other persons on the aforesaid PREMISES would  
23 exist as a legal consequence of such employment, retention or contract. PREMISES  
24 defendants, and each of them, failed to exercise reasonable caution in selecting each of the  
25 employees and contractors who performed asbestos-related work even though said  
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1 PREMISES defendants knew or in the reasonable exercise of ordinary and reasonable care  
 2 should have known that failure to choose independent contractors carefully to perform work  
 3 with and around asbestos-containing materials created a dangerous and hazardous condition  
 4 and unreasonable risk of harm and personal injury to plaintiff and other workers or persons  
 5 so exposed while working for or in the vicinity of said negligent contractors.

6 WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as is hereinafter set forth.

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 8 **TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
 9 **(Vessel Owner Negligence)**

10 AS AND FOR AN TENTH CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff complains of and alleges  
 11 that MARINE defendants AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINES, LTD.; MATSON  
 12 NAVIGATION COMPANY, INC.; and THREE HUNDREDTH AND FIRST DOE through  
 13 FOUR HUNDREDTH DOE, inclusive, and each of them were at all times herein and still  
 14 are corporations existing under and by virtue of the laws of a state or states unknown to  
 15 plaintiff and said defendants are authorized to and are doing business in the County of  
 16 Alameda, State of California, and are hereafter designated the MARINE defendants.

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 18 69. Plaintiff does not know the true names and capacities, whether corporate,  
 19 associate or individual, of defendants sued herein as DOES 301 through 400, inclusive, and  
 20 each of them, and for that reason prays leave to insert the true names and capacities of said  
 21 defendants when the same are ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and, therefore,  
 22 alleges that each of the defendants designated herein as a DOE is negligently responsible in  
 23 some manner for the events and happenings herein referred to, and proximately caused  
 24 injury to plaintiff and damages to plaintiff thereby as herein alleged.

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1           70. Plaintiff incorporates herein by reference, as though here fully set forth, and with  
2 like force and effect, the allegations contained in all the paragraphs of the First Cause of  
3 Action herein.

4           71. This cause arises under the General Maritime Law and the provisions of Section  
5 5(b) of the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, 33 U.S.C. § 905, as  
6 hereinafter more fully appears. Jurisdiction is conferred upon this Court by the Savings to  
7 Suitors Clause, Article III, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution and 28 U.S.C. § 1333(i).

8           72. At all times herein mentioned, plaintiff was employed aboard certain vessels  
9 which were dry docked and/or overhauled in San Francisco Bay in a capacity comprising  
10 "maritime employment" within the meaning of Sections 2, 3, and 5 of the Longshore and  
11 Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 902, 903 and 905.

12           73. During the time period during which plaintiff was employed aboard said vessels,  
13 the defendants, and each of them, failed to provide plaintiff with a safe place to work in that  
14 each of the vessels was insulated with and contained asbestos materials in a condition which  
15 exposed plaintiff to asbestos dust, even though said defendants knew, or should have known,  
16 that workers, like plaintiff, would be exposed to asbestos dust while working aboard the ship  
17 under circumstances which were certain to result in injury and did cause plaintiff to become  
18 ill and suffer.

19           74. The foregoing acts of the defendants, and each of them, were done wantonly,  
20 willfully, oppressively and in conscious disregard of the safety of plaintiff herein, by the  
21 defendants, and each of them, in that the defendants, and each of them, prior to and at the  
22 time of the sale of the aforementioned products to plaintiff's employers or to those entities  
23 that installed and/or handled the asbestos products to which plaintiff was exposed, knew that  
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1 the foregoing materials released invisible, undetectable respirable asbestos fibers when  
 2 installed or handled and that said fibers were extremely dangerous when inhaled. The  
 3 defendants, and each of them, either did not warn or insufficiently warned regarding the  
 4 dangerous nature of said materials, nor placed a sufficient warning on the said material or  
 5 package thereof regarding said dangerous nature, nor took any action to protect those  
 6 persons who foreseeably would be exposed to said asbestos products, despite knowing that  
 7 persons who had no knowledge of the dangerous and hazardous nature thereof, such as  
 8 plaintiff, would be exposed to and inhale asbestos fibers, and plaintiff is entitled to punitive  
 9 damages hereunder.  
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11 WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays judgment as is hereinafter set forth.

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 13 **ELEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION**  
 14 **(Loss of Consortium)**

15 AS AND FOR AN ELEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION, plaintiff CONNIE JONES  
 16 complains of the defendants, and each of them, and alleges:

17 75. Plaintiff CONNIE JONES brings this action on her own behalf and, unless  
 18 otherwise indicated, hereinafter is referred to as "plaintiff."

19 76. Plaintiff refers to and incorporates herein by reference the First through  
 20 Seventh Causes of Action of this complaint.

21 77. Plaintiff CONNIE JONES and her spouse JOHN NEWTON JONES are, and  
 22 at all times relevant herein were, married to one another.

23 78. Prior to his development of asbestos-related lung cancer, JOHN NEWTON  
 24 JONES was able to and did perform his duties as a spouse. Subsequent to developing and  
 25 suffering the debilitating effects of asbestos-related lung cancer, and as a direct and legal  
 26 result thereof, JOHN NEWTON JONES has been and continues to be unable to perform the  
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1 necessary duties of a spouse. He is no longer able to perform the work and services usually  
2 performed by him in the care, maintenance, and management of the family home. He will  
3 be unable to perform such work, services, and duties in the future. By reason thereof,  
4 plaintiff CONNIE JONES has been deprived and will continue to be deprived of her  
5 spouse's performance of his necessary duties, all to her damage. As a direct and legal result  
6 thereof she has suffered special damages to be shown according to proof.  
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8 79. As a further direct and legal result of the conduct of the defendants, and each  
9 of them, and JOHN NEWTON JONES'S debilitation from asbestos-related lung cancer, he  
10 is no longer able to provide the level and quality of companionship to his wife that he did  
11 before he developed this disease. As a further direct and legal result of this debilitation,  
12 plaintiff CONNIE JONES has suffered and in the future will continue to suffer the loss of  
13 her husband's ability to provide love, companionship, comfort, affection, society, solace,  
14 and moral support, all to her damage. As a direct and legal result she has suffered a  
15 pecuniary loss in excess of \$50,000.00 in addition to her special damages.  
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17 WHEREFORE, plaintiff CONNIE JONES prays judgment as follows:  
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- 19 1. General damages in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00 in accordance with the  
20 proof.  
21 2. Damages for fraud and conspiracy in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00;  
22 3. Punitive and exemplary damages in an amount found appropriate by the trier of  
23 fact in accordance with the proof;  
24 4. Special damages in accordance with the proof;  
25 5. Prejudgment interest and post-judgment interest in accordance with law;  
26 6. Costs of suit; and  
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7. Such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff JOHN NEWTON JONES prays judgment as follows:

1. General damages in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00 in accordance with the proof;

2. Damages for fraud and conspiracy in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00 in accordance with proof;

3. Punitive and exemplary damages in an amount found appropriate by the trier of fact in accordance with the proof;

4. Special damages in accordance with the proof;

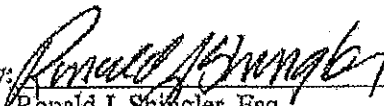
5. Prejudgment interest and post-judgment interest in accordance with law;

6. Costs of suit; and

7. Such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

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